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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to support the implementation of the recent settlement between the U.S. Department of Justice and Microsoft. There is no sense in continuing litigation against a company that is the only bright in our sorry economy. I do not think the lawsuit should have begun in the first place.

Microsoft has made a good offer and the nine states opposing the settlement should accept it. Microsoft is giving away technological secrets, granting broad new rights to computer makers to configure Windows so as to make it easier for non-Microsoft products to be promoted, and a three-person team will monitor compliance with settlement.

I urge your office to finalize the settlement and to make sure that further unnecessary lawsuits against Microsoft do not occur. Thank you. My losses in the stock market during the past year have been in excess of \$2,000,000 and Microsoft is the only bright spot I have left in my technology portfolio. I urge you to get this lawsuit settled and allow Microsoft to work on behalf of the stockholders and America.

Sincerely,



George Platt
CC: Senator Don Nickles